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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

BOX Non Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In the Official Action dated September 25, 2002, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 between claims 1-34 and 48 drawn to an intraocular corrective lens, and claims 35-47 drawn to a method of selecting a suitable implantable corrective lens.

Applicants elect the invention of claims 1-34 and 48, with traverse. This traversal is made on the basis that the method of claim 35 employs a lens as defined in claim 1, whereby it would not be unduly burdensome for the Examiner to examine all of claims 1-48 in this application. On the other hand, it would be unduly burdensome in terms of time and cost for Applicants to be required to prosecute claims 35-47 in a separate patent application.

Accordingly, reconsideration of the restriction requirement and examination of all of claims 1-48 in the present application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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